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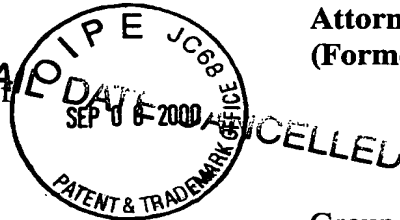
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For: COMPOSITE INSTRALUMINAL GRAFT



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TRANSMITTAL OF DECLARATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

We enclose a fax copy of the supplemental reissue declaration mentioned in the Amendment filed August 21, 2000. The Offer to Surrender Patent will be provided as soon as it is available.

Respectfully submitted,

September 11, 2000
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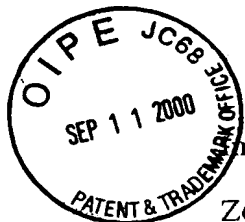
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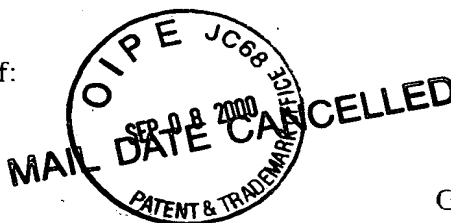
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SUPPLEMENTAL REISSUE DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.175

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Sir:

I, Zoltan G. Turi, declare that:

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1. My city and state of residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

2. I believe that I am the original, first, and sole inventor of the subject matter described and claimed in U.S. Patent No. 5,556,414, granted on September 16, 1996, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled: COMPOSITE INTRALUMINAL GRAFT, the specification of which was filed on September 16, 1998,

and for which Preliminary and Supplemental Preliminary Amendments were filed on September 16, 1998 and January 28, 1999.

3. I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended in the Preliminary Amendment filed September 16, 1998 and the Supplemental Preliminary Amendment filed January 28, 1999.

4. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to examination of the application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a).

5. I believe the original U.S. Patent No. 5,556,414 to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid because it claims less than I am entitled to claim in the patent.

6. At least one error upon which this reissue application is based is the failure to appreciate the full nature and extent of my discovery and scope of the invention. For example, as issued on September 16, 1996, the patent did not generically claim structures covered by the invention. I now appreciate that the claims in this Reissue Application represent a proper scope of the disclosed invention, and that such claims, although broader, are necessary to provide me with the full protection of my contribution.

7. All errors hereby corrected in the instant Reissue Application up to the time of filing of the present Declaration arose without any deceptive intent on my part.

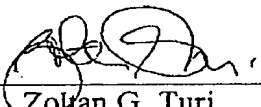
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